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SUBJ: SPACELAB NEGOTIATION STATUS

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1. ESRO SPACELAB PROGRAM BOARD MET JUNE 21. GIBSON CALLED SAYING THAT US AIDE MEMOIRE HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY EUROPEANS. HOWEVER, THEY WILL FORMALLY RESPOND THROUGH GERMAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON WITH AN AIDE MEMOIRE WHICH WILL SITE FOUR POINTS WHEREIN LANGUAGE CHANGES ARE DESIRED. IF US SIDE ACCEPTS IN PRINCIPLE THE FOUR POINTS, ESRO SECRETARIAT (GIBSON) HAS BEEN EMPOWERED TO CONCLUDE NEGOTIATIONS AND MEET WITH US SIDE FOR EDITORIAL CLEAN UP. ANTICIPATE EUROPEAN AIDE MEMOIRE WILL BE DELIVERED TO AMBASSADOR PORTER EARLY NEXT WEEK. (PORTER INFORMED VIA INFO MEMO JUNE 22.)

2. POINTS EUROPEANS WILL RAISE IN AIDE MEMOIRE FOLLOW:

A. PREAMBULAR CLAUSE RELATING TO LAUNCH ASSISTANCE AS NOW READS QUOTE CONSIDERING THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF USA HAS ESTABLISHED POLICIES TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO OTHER  
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NATIONS LAUNCHERS FOR THE LAUNCHING OF SCIENTIFIC AND APPLICATIONS SPACE MISSIONS FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES. UNQUOTE EUROPEANS SUGGEST REPLACING QUOTE LAUNCHERS FOR THE LAUNCHING OF UNQUOTE BY QUOTE LAUNCH ASSISTANCE FOR UNQUOTE.

B. ARTICLE 7 A

EUROPEANS SUGGEST QUOTE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE USA SHALL, TO THE EXTENT THAT THIS IS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS AND ARRANGEMENTS MAKE THE SPACE SHUTTLE WITH OR WITHOUT SL AVAILABLE, ETC. UNQUOTE. THE US AIDE MEMOIRE READ QUOTE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE USA SHALL, CONSISTENT WITH INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS AND ARRANGEMENTS, MAKE THE SPACE SHUTTLE AVAILABLE FOR SL MISSIONS OF THE EUROPEAN PARTNERS, ETC. UNQUOTE.

C. ARTICLE 7 C

THE US AIDE MEMOIRE HAD QUOTE THE ESTABLISHMENT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE USA OR BY THE EPS OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE COMMERCIAL USE OF SL UNITS WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF PRIOR EXCHANGE OF VIEWS LOOKING TOWARD POSSIBLE HARMONIZATION OF THE RESPECTIVE POLICIES. UNQUOTE THE EUROPEANS WILL REQUEST CHANGE AFTER QUOTE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS UNQUOTE TO READ QUOTE LOOKING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MUTUALLY AGREED STANDARDS OR CONDITIONS OF COMMERCIAL USE OR AT LEAST THE HARMONIZATION OF RESPECTIVE POLICIES. UNQUOTE.

D. ARTICLE 14 C

THE EUROPEANS RECOMMEND DELETION OF THE WORD QUOTE DEFINITIVELY UNQUOTE FROM THE ENTRY INTO FORCE PROVISION.

3. NO MENTION OF THE RECIPROCAL PURCHASE OF COMPONENTS CLAUSE.

4. ADVANCE COPIES OF SUGGESTED CHANGES HAVE BEEN SENT TO APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND WE WILL MEET NEXT WEDNESDAY TO CONSIDER IMPACT. RUSH

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